



## Going to the Congo? Bring Money, Pills, Passes; Take All Injections; Be Patient!

By FRANK KEARNS, (CBS News)

LEOPOLDVILLE—So you're coming to the Congo? And you're wondering what it's like, what to bring?

First of all, bring money, hard money, lots of it. A little taxi ride to UN headquarters and back to your hotel is \$2; all day, \$16. A good dinner, poorly served, up to \$12 and more. A packet of matches, 4 cents. A soft drink in the hotel, 20 cents. Money evaporates. It's downright embarrassing to make out an expense account. (For home offices.

this story may well be the biggest budget-cruncher since the Coronation, Ike's trip to the Mideast and Southeast Asia, the election campaign.)

At the same time you get your visa (from a Tunisian Embassy abroad, or Mjili Airport in Leopoldville, or at "The Beach" after crossing the Congo River from the airport in Brazzaville), make sure your vaccination certificate is in order.

Get every injection that's in the book. In a country where just about every known disease is often endemic and frequently epidemic, no one laughs anymore when an Eager Beaver arrives

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## OPC IS HOST TO 500 AT SIGMA DELTA CHI'S NEW YORK CONVENTION

Sigma Delta Chi held its national convention in New York last week—and the OPC carpet was out.

One of the great highlights of the journalism fraternity's big event was the reception on the 4 floors of the Clubhouse Friday, Dec. 2. More than 500 SDX'ers were greeted by our members at a cocktail party that followed the fraternity's last business session and immediately preceded the gala banquet where Gov. Rockefeller spoke.

The increasing number of OPC members who are also members of Sigma Delta Chi served as the knowing guides.

John Di Lorenzi got the 2 groups together and made sure that every SDX member was, indeed, a guest. OPC president John Luter did the hosting.

Other events during the 4-day SDX convention were hosted by the Wall St. Journal, CBS, The N.Y. Times, Editor and Publisher and Time, Inc.

Host chapter of the convention was New York's Deadline Club, whose president is Bill Payette.

Inducted into the fraternity during the convention were these OPC members: F. Richard Anderson, John M. Cooper, William D. Horgan, Charles T. Kline, (Continued on page 3)

NOT THESE DATES ON YOUR

### CALENDAR



**Sun., Dec. 11 — Special Sunday Brunch:** In addition to the brunch which will be served in the main dining room from 12 Noon—3:00 p.m., a "smorgorsbord" will be served in the bar from 4:00—7:00 p.m. Bar will be open from 1:00—8:00 p.m. Special guest, H.E. Louis Scheyren, Belgian Ambassador to US. Informal. (See page 5)

**Tues., Dec. 13 — Open House: Venezuela.** Mr. Alfred Boeldeke will report on Indian tribes of the upper Amazon. Documentary film will be shown. Cocktails 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:30 p.m. (See story page 3)

**Thurs., Dec. 15 — Open House: S.W. Africa & the World Court.** Special guests will be Ernest A. Gross, Sen. Wayne Morse, Ambassador Nathan Barnes of Liberia and petitioners. Cocktails 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:30 p.m. (See story page 3)

**Tues., Dec. 20 — Regional Dinner: Traditional Norwegian Christmas Dinner.** Cocktails 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:30 p.m.

**Wed., Dec. 21 — Children's Party:** Club members' children—all welcome. There will be films, a magician, souvenirs and refreshments. 3:00—5:00 p.m.

### REMINDER

Bulletin deadline for Dec. 24/Dec. 31 (combined) holiday issue will be Monday., Dec. 19.

## YOLEN IN KEY OPC POST

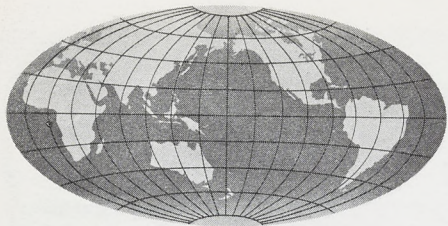
Will Yolen, 3-times secretary of OPC, has accepted the post of assistant secretary. Yolen will also take over the duties of coordinator of committees. He will continue as aide to president John Luter but the emphasis of his work will be on supervision of the committees.

Yolen was chosen for the new role because of his knowledge of practically every phase of the administrative operations at the Club, according to Luter.

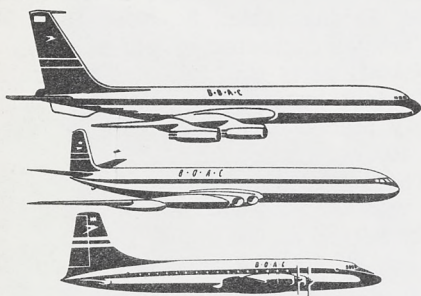


Taking time out from Club party honoring SDX members are John Luter, OPC president, William Payette, president of SDX NY chapter, and E.W. Scripps II, new national president of the fraternity. They study citation to late Ernie Pyle.





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# Overseas Ticker



.....Edited by CHARLES KLENSCH.....

(Ed. Note: Ticker deadline for Dec. 24/31 issue will be Mon., Dec. 19.)

## COPENHAGEN.....from PER AMBY

Kaj Johansen, ex-Danish press-attaché in NYC, became Fgn Ofc press-chief on Nov 1 and almost immediately set off on 6-week vacation — his 1st in 3 years....

NYHerTrib food ed Clementine Padelford and ThisWk ME Ed McCarthy made frantic efforts to eat their way through Denmark...Author Corey Ford shocked Danish press people by telling them means & ways of exterminating cats... Coronet senior ed Walter Ross and wife, (VP & creative dir at McCann-Erickson) toured Denmark recently... John de Koven Hill, HouseBeaut, visited all four Scand nations in Oct, gathering material for a special issue....

This Ticker corr and wife — now established in picturesque Nyhavn — would welcome meeting OPC passers-through-Copenhagen.

## JOBURG.....from DICK KASISCHKE

Bob Connolly, America's gift to news cartooning in SAfrica, received on Nov 18 one of 7 intl 'People-to-People' prizes awarded annually by the US govt to cartoonists abroad who have done most to promote world peace, friendship, etc.

The Rand Daily Mail (Johannesburg) editorial and panel cartoonist — on receiving the silver medallion and \$100 — cracked, without false modesty: 'It's been a long time coming. I believe all cartoonists deserve such medals — in gold.'

Connolly, a native of Patterson, NJ, worked for years on the Bronx Home News before moving to SAfrica in 1936.

## TOKYO.....from GENE KRAMER

Tokyo Police — touchy over being unable to guarantee Ike's safety last spring or to protect Jim Hagerty from leftwing mobs — found a demonstration they could handle.

They quickly broke up a Sayonara party at Tokyo Intl Airport for AP's asst buochief Nate Polowetzky, returning to NYC for reassignment after more than a decade abroad — London, Mideast, Korea and Japan.

The cops didn't object to a cluster of schoolboys with 'Polowetzky for President' placards, but they insisted on silencing a traditional Japanese Chindonya (flute-drum-clarinet) ensemble. They ruled the band's 'Auld Lang Syne' an unlicensed public nuisance....

Rembert James, ed Copley News Svc, nearing the end of a 2-½ month world tour, conferred here with Copley's new Tokyo-based Fareast corr Edward Neilan, recently of Seoul....

Insult was added to injury by Tokyo Shimbun in reporting that UPI Asian veep Earnest Hoberecht had bet 360,000 yen (\$1000) on Kennedy. Whoops, wrong candidate!...

The Tokyo buo of the defunct INS came to life briefly at a get-together in the home of Sid White, ex-INS-Tokyo exec now city ed of Pacific StarsStripes. Six newsmen, 6 cameramen, 6 teletype operators and 2 copyboys gathered around a cake with 2 candles — signifying the 2nd anniv of INS' demise. Of the 20 for-

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At OPC cocktail party for SDX: Jess Gorkin, Herbert Klein, John de Lorenzi.

### SIGMA DELTA (Cont'd from p. 1)

Peter J. French, Harold Lavine, A. Wilfred May and Daniel Mich.

The convention was the first in New York since the fraternity's founding 51 years ago.

During the convention Sigma Delta Chi charged that undue use of the "secret" stamp in Federal agencies is hampering the newsmen's search for the facts.

V.M. Newton, Jr., retiring president of SDX and chairman of its Freedom of Information Committee, said that Congress has the power to eliminate most Federal secrecy "almost overnight".

The lawmakers, he said "could withhold all appropriations from those agencies, bureaus, commissions, etc., that persist in doing the people's business in deep-dark secret."

The fraternity presented the SDX Freedom of the Press Plaque to Rep. John E. Moss (Dem., Calif.) who has been chairman of the House Sub-Committee on Government Information, spearheading the attack on secrecy in Federal agencies.

The convention also heard Pierre Salinger and Herbert Klein, press secretaries to President-elect Kennedy and Vice President Nixon, respectively, agree that the press of the U.S. had tried to report the Presidential campaign fairly.

Another session of SDX heard N.Y. Times managing editor Turner Catledge report that the future of newspapers was brighter than ever.

E.W. Scripps II, vice president of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers, was elected president of SDX.

### DINNER WINNER

The last three winners of Friday night dinners-on-the-house have been Robert Haslett, Robert Fitzgibbon, Robert S. Kane.

## AMB. SCHEYVEN TO BE BRUNCH GUEST DEC. 11

H.E. Louis Scheyven, Belgian Ambassador to the U.S., will be a special Sunday brunch guest at the Club following his appearance on Dorothy Gordon's NBC Youth Forum program. Ambassador Scheyven will be happy to talk with all the press members present at the informal gathering.

## Film at OPC Tuesday: Primitive Orinoco Tribes

Alfred Boeldeke, explorer of the headwaters of the Orinoco and Amazon, will report on the most primitive Indians of America, and show colored film taken in their villages, at an OPC Open House Tuesday, Dec. 13.

Since 1931 Hamburg-born Boeldeke has roamed this least-known part of the Western Hemisphere, living with tribes who have in fact killed previous visitors to make shrunken heads. On some trips his wife and daughter accompanied him. His film showing life of these Indians is unique.



Boeldeke

Photo shows Boeldeke arrayed as member of one tribe, who "adopted" him for a time. Tuesday's program is part of the Committee's policy of bringing to OPC occasional outstanding reports of explorations and anthropological expeditions.

Cocktails 6:30, dinner 7:30. Reservations, please.

## "Bon Tempi" for All!

Wine, tasty dishes and song were highlights of last Tuesday's Special Italian Dinner, which was served to a capacity (plus) crowd of gourmet-members and guests. The excellent repast, "given in honor of the cuisine", was supervised by WOR-TV's Fedora Bontempi who followed the demi-tasse with an interesting and informative talk on cookery. Her husband Pino, former concert and opera singer, supplied the entertainment, carrying out the true Italian spirit.

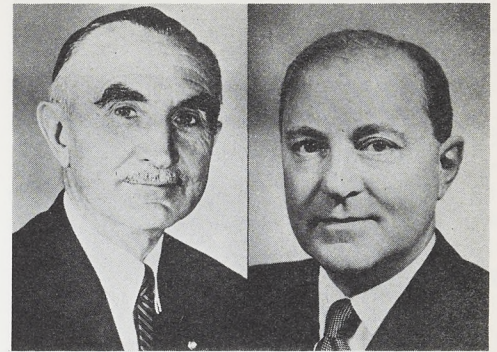
Door prizes, donated by the Bontempis' TV sponsor, were awarded the lucky ticket winners.

Credit goes to the House Operations Committee, headed by Ed Cunningham, and Nick Parrino who arranged the "first" Special Dinner — a delicious success.

## "Paris in the Spring"

While visiting New York recently, Paris resident Curt Heymann graciously offered to arrange an OPC round-up for Charter Flight travelers and the 40 resident Paris members.

At this time, a cocktail party-reception is planned tentatively for Monday, May 22, 1961, at the Hotel Crillon.



Morse

Gross

## SEN. MORSE, GROSS TO SPEAK ON S. W. AFRICA

The forthcoming UN hearings on Southwest Africa will be the subject of an Open House which will bring Sen. Wayne Morse, Ernest A. Gross and African spokesmen to the OPC on Thursday, Dec. 15.

Morse, (Dem. Oregon) and Gross (former U.S. delegate to the UN) will be joined by Ambassador Nathan Barnes of Liberia and a representative of Ethiopia. A number of South West Africans, in New York to seek the end of the mandate over their country held by South Africa, will complete the panel.

Cocktails will be at 6:30, dinner at 7:30.

## Property Claims - - To Whom It May Concern:

The following hats and coats have been left in the Club coat room on various occasions and are now in the custody of Mr. Foley, Club Manager. Perhaps the owners will recognize their property and, if they have someone else's hat or coat, a fair exchange can be made.

**Coats:** one light colored raincoat (full plaid lining, Chas. MacIntosh label, purchased from Abercrombie & Fitch); one light colored raincoat (purchased from Macy's Men's Shop); one light colored raincoat (Plymouth label, lower half plaid-lined); one charcoal colored raincoat (Gleneagles Royal Touch label, lower half plaid-lined, purchased from Browning, 5th Ave.); one top coat (gabardine, Firelli label).

**Hats:** 7¼ Brown (Dobbs, D. O'Farrell, purchased Jon 'n Jax Men's Shop, Laramie, Wyoming); 7¼ Grey (Churchill, purchased De Pinna); 7 3/8 Dark (purchased Messner, Brooklyn); 7 3/8 Brown (purchased Brooks Brothers); 7 3/8 Dark (purchased Rene Menard); 7 3/8 Brown (Royal Stetson, 1457 Broadway); 7 3/8 Dark (Knox 20); 7 3/4 Grey (Chesley, purchased Rogers Peet); 7 3/4 Dark (Borden, N.Y.); Light Grey (E.J.S., Wilby 66 W. 39th); 7 1/8 Straw (Stetson); Black cap (Saks 5th Ave.); 7 3/8 Dark (Schoble, purchased Bloomingdale's).





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## OPC History - - from Weekly Luncheons to World Press Center

By GEORGE NATANSON

Future Overseas Press Club historians writing about the change in quarters on April 1, 1961, might be inclined to mark this date as the close of one era and the beginning of another. But seen from today's vantage point, the upcoming move will merely be one of a long chain of far-reaching events which has served to bring the Club into world prominence over the past 2 decades.

Because this year marks the Club's 21st, there may be those tempted to remark that the OPC has come of age. Actually, when the 42 founders put their names to the Charter on Palm Sunday, April 2, 1939, the OPC sprang into immediate maturity. In a manner of speaking, the Club has existed informally since the day a U.S. reporter filed his first dispatch to his home office from a foreign land. From then on whenever and wherever 2 or more of these newsmen gathered, a meeting was in order. On that April day in 1939 these foreign correspondents simply tacked on a name and formalized the proceedings. Even this resulted from an inauspicious meeting of 3 far-roving reporters swapping yarns in a Greenwich Village tavern.

Nevertheless, it is safe to say that the original 42 never envisioned the OPC's present world eminence. Over the years, the Club's headquarters has shifted and moved about Manhattan not unlike its members around the world. First it was weekly luncheons (which soon became famous) at the Hotel Gladstone, but a rapidly growing membership forced a move to the Hotel Belmont-Plaza. Later the Lotos Club was the scene of memorable occasions — then came the Times Tower on Times Square.

These were the first real Clubrooms. In February, 1947, the then 4-page, mimeographed *OPC Bulletin* carried the suggestion that the 2 rooms be decorated and furnished in top-notch fashion and "not with something rescued from the cellar."

But the Tower, too, proved insufficient for the 720 members and on December 13, 1954, (with a personal, tele-

vised message of greeting from President Eisenhower) the OPC dedicated its present, comfortable 5-story Memorial Press Center on 39th street. Today, more than 2,600 members and ever-increasing activities have cramped this building and the move is on again. By next April, the OPC will be housed in its new 11-story home on West 40th. The question is not the close of an era but just how long 11 stories will suffice.

The past years have indeed proven fruitful, providing living proof of the successful fulfillment of the standards set for the Club, as quoted by *The New York Times*, April 24, 1939:

"To bring together men and women whose past and present activities in the service of the American press have given them common professional and social interests; to provide facilities for the expression of these interests; to promote good fellowship among the members, and to encourage the highest standards of independence, democracy and professional skill in the American foreign press service."

The aim, so the accomplishment. During the present year, no less than 6 heads of state have appeared before OPC forums. Before that the list reads like a Who's Who in world statesmanship. Presidents, ministers, cabinet members, revolutionaries, ambassadors, writers and every-day citizens in the news have appeared before the brisk question-answer periods. On or off-the-record, these sessions provide rich new background to members who interpret the news.

The OPC Annual Awards have honored the journalism "greats" of the world.

Of the total membership today, more than 400 are presently on duty abroad. The OPC, by the way, is proud to say that the majority of working foreign correspondents are members. Active members make up 1,463 while 1,963 are associates — the greater number currently working in news media.

The rapidly expanding membership bespeaks a greater responsibility not only to the OPC and its goals but to

the foreign correspondents profession itself. In order to further these aims, an increasing number of committees have been set up, several of which have already made themselves felt in world affairs.

One of the more important is the Freedom of the Press Committee, ready to call international attention to any infringement on press rights or suppression of news. Another is the committee for Youth & Student Activities which conducts an annual conference at the OPC for student editors. The *OPC Bulletin*, provides the strongest link between the Club and members overseas every week.

Also serving as a link for members abroad and at home are 21 reciprocal agreements with domestic and foreign press clubs. Over the past several years, 5 charters have been granted OPC chapters abroad.

New projects upcoming include an OPC survey into working conditions and locations of all foreign correspondents abroad. Another will create a special educational fund with contributions coming from the Club and outside sources; objective is to maintain high journalistic standards and increase professional interest.

Travel fellowships, it is expected, will be set up for correspondents for greater independent study of all areas of the world. Periodic seminars are planned for American correspondents, one of the objectives being to determine what further role the OPC can play to assist the profession.

For the new Club building, a larger more extensive memorial library is being planned and a film library will be established. A small radio and TV recording studio will be set up for interviews and panel discussions.

Meanwhile the 43 committees and members-at-large are on a constant lookout, exploring new fields for Club sponsorship in order to make the OPC, in the words of President Eisenhower, "one of the great crossroads of communications", and, indeed, the World Press Center.



**CONGO** (Continued from page 1)

with a shot-list including one for Bubonic Plague. We've had a Plague epidemic up Northeast, an impending smallpox epidemic in the interior, typhoid fever right here in the capital, nightly street spraying against malarial mosquitoes.

Hypochondriacs (i.e., all veteran foreign correspondents) should bring along an airline bag full of pills, every possible type, size, shape and color. Purple sleeping pills, for example, are becoming a Leo status symbol. And weekly malaria pills, too weak for this area, are definitely plebian, naive. (After a couple of months in Leopoldville, of course, you stop taking malaria pills, hoping you'll *get* malaria . . . and a return ticket home.)

**Chemical Intake Per Day**

The other day a somewhat shaken correspondent toted up his chemical intake for a typical non-stop day of crisis: one supersuper vitamin pill, one malaria pill, 3 anti-dysentery pills, 4 tranquillizer pills, 2 black-market sleeping pills. And 4 packs of cigarettes.

To ease your entry into the tight, bitter little circle of Leoville Lifers, bring the latest edition of every newspaper from the U.S. or Europe. Magazines, too. All of the pocket-books you can carry. Above all, letters for the exiles; bills, love-letters, instructions from editors, complaints about expense accounts . . . anything, just as long as it's mail.

For real safari types, a hotplate or an immersion-heater is useful for warming up canned food in your room when the hotel dining room becomes, as it must to all men, unfaceable. A flashlight is handy when the electricity goes off; water purification tablets when the water goes off, or becomes too Congo Yellow even for Olde Residents.

**Cards by the Carload**

Passport photos. In the dozens. And a collection of cellophane or plastic holders for identification cards, papers. (Currently, I'm carrying a passport, a sweat-soaked UN press card, a Ministry of Interior laissez-passer now disintegrated into 6 barely legible strips of paper, a new radio studio pass, a vaccination certificate (required now for crossing the river to Brazzaville's cablehead or studios), assorted out-dated UN headquarters passes (valid one day only), a local collect-cable card and a not-very-useful press pass for the shutdown Parliament. Still not obtained: A visa, a big residence-visa card, a plasticized Mobutu press card.

Clothes? Except for the rare Dapper Dan, the well-dressed foreign correspondent isn't. Bring piles of short-sleeved sports shirts, plenty of washable slacks, a few drip-dry suits, a light and cool

raincoat. It's hot and humid, really humid, getting humider. The Rains Have Come.

Other assorted useful items:

A *Roget's Thesaurus*. The clichés are getting pretty threadbare. A French-English dictionary. (Even if your French is good, Congo-fractured French is bewildering; at least the dictionary will help you plow through local newspaper argot.

**Patience A-plenty**

A good, powerful short-wave radio is your only contact with the outside news world. Ordinary little medium-wave transistor sets are useless.

Above all else, bring an unlimited supply of patience. Among other things you'll have to contend with:

— Three governments, each claiming to be the only legal regime. And none of them really functioning. One president, 2 prime ministers, one not-so-very-strong man, a superimposed Student Council set up as a caretaker regime.

— A cablehead worse than anything in a war-time combat zone, a Telex which may imprison you, drive you to the brink of madness, for up to 6 hours each filing time. An on-again-off-again, sorry-no-contact, transmitter-staff-out-to-lunch radio station.

— A bewildering and bewildered UN mission. UN press briefings, masterpieces of no-comment, nothing-new-on-that, no-hypothetical-questions, and

tortuous, maddening, pseudo-Hammerskjold evasions. No UN facilities for interior coverage, not even for coverage of the UN in action.

— The world's biggest rumor-factory.

— Ignorant, undisciplined soldiers and police with deep, deep hatred for newsmen and, particularly, photographers and cameramen. Soldiers who often speak nothing but Lingala, can't read press passes and are happy only when wielding rifle-butts.

— And the names: Lumumba, Kasavubu, Mobutu, Bunia, Bukwanga, Bolikango, Bukavu and Batshikama. Afropaint, Forescom, Kamina, Kalangi, Kasai, Kabondo, Kanza, Kitwit. Luluabourg, Coquilhatville, Gemena, Tumba-Lempa, Ileo, Tschombe, Memling, Puna, Funa.

— An acute, chronic shortage of women, whiskey and hard news sources.

**Solace for the Scribe**

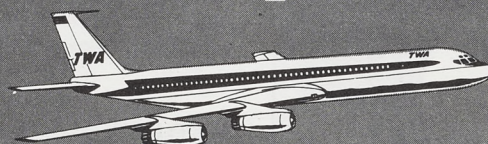
If you're tapped for this assignment (and the way things are going, just about every foreign correspondent will have to spend some time in Leopoldville in coming months and years), there's one solace. Namely, that however chaotic and comic and tragic this story appears, it is a story . . . the world's oldest non-stop running crisis, *the* foreign story for a long time to come.

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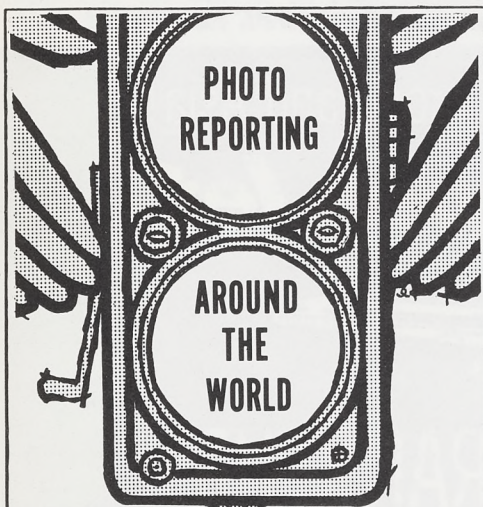


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mer staffers, 4 are with AP, 3 with USIS, 2 with UPI, 2 with StarsStripes and 1 each with McGrawHill, AFP and Chunichi Shimbun-Nagoya. The others are in business for themselves. All look prosperous.

Edwin Q. White, veteran of NY foreign desk of AP, has become news ed, succeeding John Roderick. White saw the FarEast as a Stars&Striper in 1945.

## ROME.....from LIN ROOT

**Fleur Cowles'** brilliant one-man show packed the Gallery Obelisco with enthusiastic critics, dignitaries, artists and art lovers. The paintings — strong, subtle and sophisticated — all flowers and all Fleur.

The 40 stunning canvases all were painted on country weekends in 1960. She spends weekdays in London writing for Brit magazines and working on her book (this one, personal events). But the best news for those of us who last saw Fleur when she was doing so much for the OPC drive — despite a serious illness — is that she looks lovelier, younger and happier than ever.

## TAIPEI.....from GERALDINE FITCH

UPI's Al Kaff, transferred; replaced by Albert Axelband. ...Richard F. Harris, USIS-Hongkong, and Thomas Jenkins of LonSun Expr visiting. ...

GIO dir Dr. Sampson Shen, left Dec 3 for 2-month tour of Africa. He will return via US and Euro. ...

Dr. Hollington Tong (Missouri J-school '11, Columbia J-school '13, one-time NYTimes and NYWorld reporter, veteran jnlst/ed in China, and amb to Japan and US) lost his youngest son, Eddie, co-pilot of plane carrying commissary supplies to American agencies in Laos, in take-off crash.

## MADRID..from THURSTON MACAULEY

William Sunderland, UPI-Rome, who has been filling in for **Henry Schulte** during his US homeleave, took a weekend off for Gibraltar marriage-honeymoon. Bride is former Maria Grazia Zitelli of Rome. ...

Bob Rooney, also UPI, gave farewell party for Time's John Blashill, who left for US leave before new Cntl America post. ...Recent visitors: Thomas J. Carolan, USIA dpty asst dir (Euro). ... NYTimes' James Reston (on vacation).

## MEXICO.....from ART DIGGLE

Some 300 Mexican and fgn newsmen gathered recently in USEmb residency garden for a farewell fiesta given by Amb Robert C. Hill. Hill has received the Mexican govt's Aztec Eagle order in tribute to his 3½-years' labor here. ...

Pepe Romero, MexCityNews colum-

## PEOPLE & PLACES

**TRAVELING:** Peter Buckley is now in Nigeria doing photography & research for forthcoming book on festivals. ...**Leon Daniel** on way to Europe to see photogs & editors in France, Switzerland, Italy, Spain — then to enjoy a rest in Sicily. ...**Richard J.H. Johnston**, NYTimes, returned to NY early Nov. after 5 months in Tokyo & Seoul. ...**Eugene J. Taylor**, NYTimes, returned Thanksgiving from 3-week trip to Lima, Rio & Sao Paulo. ...**Arthur Holzman**, Air Force Counsel, on visit to Air Force installations in Spain, France & Germany. ...**Lin Root** just back from 3-month assignment in Italy & Greece to find herself in Jan. issues of Reader's Digest & Pageant.

**NUPTIALS:** Ted Schoening, press relations mgr. of Amer. Machine & Foundry Co., married Ilse Kerner of Paris on Thanksgiving Day in Maplewood, N.J. ... Wedding bells for **Grace Naismith**, assoc. ed. Reader's Digest and John C. Devlin, NYTimes news staff, on Nov. 23 in NY.

**STORK CLUB:** George & Maggie Natanson welcomed their first child, Gabriela, born Nov. 26 in N.Y. ... Born to **Jack & Shayne Birns**: their 7th, Abigail Martha, on Nov. 30 in Los Angeles.

**PUBLICATIONS:** Barrett McGurn's bio has been selected for publication in "Who's Who in America" following previous publication in "The Internat'l Who's Who in Commerce". ... Dec. issue of Male contains cover story by **Martin Luray**. ... **William Pfaff** has delivered MS of "The New Politics: America & the End of the Postwar World" to publisher — due out Feb. Portions will be featured in Jan. Harpers. ... **Bradley Smith** has 2-page spread in Dec. Holiday. He's now finishing new book "Columbus in the New World" for publisher.

**NEW POSITIONS:** Patrick E. Nieburg joined "Economic World" as editor. Published in Wash., D.C., paper is devoted to foreign economic policy. Members interested in copies can have them free of charge by writing Pat at Economic World, 1028 Conn. Ave., N.W. Wash., D.C. ... **Eugene Phillips**, Delta Air Lines PR since 1954 in Atlanta, has joined Aerospace Corp. (L.A.) as deputy dir. of Public Info.

nist, back from NYC vacation in time to welcome peripatetic publicist Irving Hoffman. ... NYTimes' **Paul Kennedy** and Time's **Harvey Rosenhouse** covering Cntl American strife. ... **Jaime Plenn**, UPI, back from stint with Havana buo. ...

Truls Fragell, UPI, vacationing in NYC. ... Robert Katz, AFP, returned from Paris leave. ... **Dan James**, Dateline LatAm columnist, in from Miami after series of interviews with Cuban refugee leaders. ... **Bertram Johansson**, ChriSciMon, in town briefly enroute south. ... **Dave Weber**, Laredo Times, off to KanCity/Mnpls on Braniff junket.



# LETTERS



Editor, Bulletin

Can you tell me how I go about joining the Overseas Press Club? What are the requirements?

A Bulletin reader  
(Ed. Note: You may send to the OPC for a membership application which gives full details. Here, however, is a list of requirements, in brief:

**ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP** (voting). American correspondents at present abroad and former correspondents (with at least 2 years service) who are still in the news business. Also publishers, editors, managing editors (and equivalent positions in broadcasting) who actually employ and assign foreign correspondents.

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**BY INVITATION.** The Board of Governors (which will act on the receipt of an application) will extend an invitation for associate membership to foreign newsmen and full-time press officers of U.S. and foreign governments.)

## WM. THE SILENT AWARD WINNERS

The 1960 William the Silent Award for Journalism, consisting of \$1,000 and a gold medal, and awarded by Dutch citizens annually to a writer judged "to have done most to further Netherland-U.S. understanding", was presented to R.H. Shackford of Scripps-Howard.

The prize was awarded during a private luncheon at the OPC Dec. 8. Guest of honor at the ceremony was Dr. J.H. van Roijen, Netherlands Ambassador in Washington.

Other medals were given to Erwin D. Canham, editor of the *Christian Science Monitor* and David H. Beetle for his reporting on last year's Henry Hudson celebrations.

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Stephen Korsen,  
Chairman, Placement Committee

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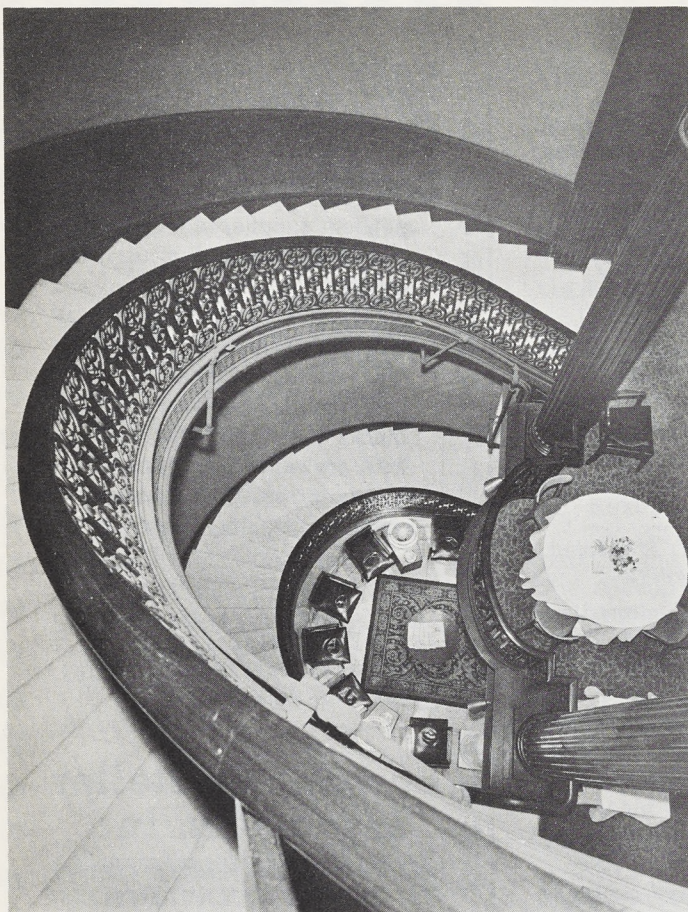
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THE HANDSOME DINING ROOM

Below, right:

THE WELL-STOCKED BAR



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